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"School Point Prescribed Fire at West Fork Ranger District"

Hamilton, Montana, April 13-14, 2007— If favorable weather and air quality conditions continue through this weekend, and in the following week to come, fire managers and crews at the West Fork Ranger District will apply prescribed fire to the School Point project located behind the West Fork Ranger station.

Location -13.5 miles up the West Fork road, about 12 air miles south of Darby. Acreage: 583 acres. Purpose: to reduce fuels adjacent to private property and affect fire behavior of future wildland fires that may occur in the area.

All burns are weather and air quality dependent. Visibility may be impacted for travelers visiting the Boulder Creek Trailhead, so please use caution while driving in this area.

If you have questions about this burn, please contact Hamilton Dispatch at (406) 363-7133.

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